

PATENTS Attorney Docket No. CENT/001 CPA RCE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Chen et al.

Application : 08/704,445 Confirmation No. 9201

No.

Filed : August 26, 1996

For : METHODS FOR PREVENTING DEPLETION OF

NON-AUTOLOGOUS HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS AND ANIMAL MODEL SYSTEMS FOR USE THEREOF

Group Art Unit : 1632

Examiner : Ram R. Shukla

New York, New York 10020

December 17, 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

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1450

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Sir:

This Amendment and Reply supplements

Applicants' December 1, 2003 Response to the September

29, 2003 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment in the above

application. No fees are believed due with this

response. However, if a fee is due, the Director is

authorized to charge deposit account 06-1075.

Applicants request the following amendments, in order to place the application in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.